

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application. No: 10/615,507 § Examiner: Nguyen, Hiep T. § July 8, 2003 Filed: Group/Art Unit: 2187 § Inventor: Atty. Dkt. No: 5500-79600 § Mitchell Alsup § I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with § the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Assistant Commissioner for § Patents, Washington, DC 20231, on the date indicated below. § Title: System and Method of Robert C. Kowe 8888 **Identifying Liveness** Groups within Traces Stored in a Trace Cache § §

- 1. I am the named inventor of the above-referenced application.
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- 3. At least the following portions of United States Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0143721 A1 (the "'721 application") contain a description of the Trace Cache Technology: p. 17, para. 154, lines 1-4; p. 17, para. 155, lines 1-4; and p. 17, para. 155, lines 6-12.
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- 5. On information and belief, the inventors of the '721 application derived their knowledge of the Trace Cache Technology from me.
- 6. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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